

WAR CLOUDS IN THE EAST

Japan and China Ready to Fly at Each Other's Throats.

FORCES OF THE BELLIGERENTS

Navy of the Celestial Empire Much Superior to That of Its Adversary—Japanese Government Lending All Available Vessels. Treaty Ports Being Blocked.

YOKOHAMA, Japan, July 21.—The Korean government has consented to the reform proposed by Japan. British and United States marines have been landed at Seoul, the capital of Korea, in order to protect the British and United States legations, respectively.

China has refused to allow the Japanese warships to be allowed to enter the Chinese treaty ports. Japan, replying to the request of China in regard to Japanese warships, has replied that she maintains the right to enter these ports at any time. The attitude of the population generally is warlike.

SHANGHAI, July 21.—The report that war has been declared between China and Japan is not yet confirmed, but China is preparing for war. The Chinese are blocking the great river of the Yangtze-Kiang, the northern passage of the Japanese troops, and are compelling the Japanese to withdraw.

Telegraphic communication with Peking has been stopped on account of the floods. Japan has chartered all the Japanese ships already chartered from the Wusei Kaisha Company. Japan has prohibited the departure of the Yusei steamers.

It has been learned here that 12,000 Chinese troops have received orders to proceed with all possible dispatch to Korea.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., July 21.—News advices from Yokohama received to-day on the steamer City of Rio de Janeiro state that June 3 the Korean minister to Japan called on the Japanese minister of foreign affairs and announced that he was about to take his leave to report to his government the feeling and policy of Japan toward Korea.

At about the same time, as a result of a cabinet council attended by the Emperor of Japan, the Japanese government dispatched Kato Masao, chief counselor of the foreign office, to Korea as special messenger to the government. He carried with him instructions to the Japanese minister at Korea.

The active press reports that the attempt to induce Otori, Japanese minister to Korea, to withdraw the Japanese troops from Korea, was unsuccessful, and that the Japanese government decided to positively refuse the requests. There is much anxiety that Russia and France are ready to interfere in the event of serious trouble.

Relative to the rebellion the native papers report the rebels are more than holding their own in Genshi, and that the Japanese troops at the weak government troops do not attack them.

A Korean newspaper of June 16 announces warlike preparations by the Chinese in Seoul and Juchuan. The officers of Japanese troops sent to Korea, it is said, have been instructed if the Chinese should show the slightest signs of attack they must be prepared to stand on the defensive, but to attack and put the enemy to rout. The enemy's commanders have instructed their soldiers to be prepared for engagements in the mountains.

The conditions laid down by the Japanese government are said to be to the following effect: That it is out of the question that both Japan and China should co-operate to stand with regard to the suppression of the rebels on a reform of political affairs, railway management, etc., so to make Korea a purely independent country. The Japanese government is maintaining the balance of power in the east; consequently if China would not agree to the plans now in course of negotiation, Japan would have to carry out these things herself.

NEW YORK, July 21.—In view of the fact that war between China and Japan, growing out of the Korean dispute, appears to be imminent, it may not be uninteresting to give a summary of the forces of the respective powers. According to Chinese official statistics the army is composed as follows:

The Eight Banners consist of 325,000 men, and comprises Manchus, Mongols, and Chinese. Of these 100,000 are said to be reviewed by the Emperor at Peking once a year. There is also a force of 200,000 men, and a national army, embracing 6,450 officers and 650,000 privates.

Capt. Norman, in his book "Tonquin," divides the army into two classes:

First, the active army, comprising the army of Manchuria, the army of the Center, and the army of Turkestan, and second, the territorial army.

The number of the army at Manchuria is 70,000 men, divided into two army corps. Many of these troops are armed with the Mauser rifle, and are equipped with Krupp 6-centimeter field cannon. The army of the Center is numbered at 50,000 men in time of peace. This number, however, can be doubled in case of war.

The numbers are kept down in time of peace to 200,000. The Tartar cavalry of the north are mounted on undersized, but sturdy ponies. Their equipment is wretched.

CHINA'S FLEET.

Within the last fifteen years China has acquired a considerable fleet of vessels, and many of her ships are of a powerful character. The larger vessels have been built in European yards, several of them in England, but the imperial arsenal at Fochow has produced torpedo cruisers, gunboats, and dispatch vessels. The fleet is divided into the North, Coast, and South squadrons.

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The army of Japan is organized on a uniform system on the basis of conscription. All males of the age of twenty years are liable to serve in the standing army for seven years, of which three years must be spent in active service, and the remaining four years in the army of reserve. After quitting the army of reserve they have to form part of the Landwehr for another five years, and every male from seventeen to forty years of age, who is not either in line, the reserve, or the Landwehr, must belong to the Landwehr, and is liable to be called into service in times of national emergency.

The army is composed of the Imperial guard and six divisions. In 1891 it was as follows: The Imperial guard (two brigades of four regiments of infantry, one squadron of cavalry, one regiment of artillery and one company of engineers) consisting of 6,207 officers and men, with forty field guns and 658 horses. The six divisions consist of twelve brigades or twenty-four regiments of infantry—37,528 officers and men; cavalry, six squad-

WAS NOT PULLMAN'S IDEA

How the Great "Benefactor" and "Philanthropist" Got His Money.

ORIGIN OF THE SLEEPING CAR

The Real Inventor Sleeps in an Unmarked Grave at Mount Olivet Cemetery in Chicago, While the Man Who Appropriated His Scheme Rolls in Wealth.

George M. Pullman is a king in the realm of cash, rolling in wealth and grandeur. With a few exceptions of monarchs discomfited by the angry cries of his subjects he has retired to Castle Revere, Pullman Island. He is rich and he can own castles and islands and towns, all because he is the proprietor of the Pullman palace car system.

Plymouth B. Greene died practically a pauper. His remains rest now at Mount Olivet in a coffin which has not yet been paid for. He died two years ago, denied during his last illness the little comforts which a mighty man—mighty in the power which wealth untold gave him—was appealed to supply. His widow is now living on a pittance in a little frame cottage in West Adams street.

George M. Pullman profited by the idea born in the brain of Plymouth B. Greene, which resulted in the sleeping car. That was some thirty-five years ago. At that time Greene and Pullman were both poor men.

Like most geniuses Greene was poetic, dreamy, impractical. He could make plans, devise schemes, and suggest inventions, says the Chicago Herald, but there was no business fact in his mind, and he had no secret of his scheme for a hotel on wheels.

Pullman, like Greene, was poor. Unlike him he was cold and practical. He was a householder. Greene was an artist. Pullman got hold of Greene's patent.

Pullman is summing at Castle Revere, Pullman Island. Greene is lying in an unmarked grave at Mount Olivet cemetery.

Pullman was appealed to for a trifle to buy medicine for Greene in his last illness. He refused.

THEY CAREFULLY SUPPRESSED.

Pretty soon Greene had been written about the origin of the sleeping car—some pretty enough to be poems. It has gone the rounds that Mrs. Pullman, in a moment of happy inspiration, conceived the idea which her hard-headed husband saw millions in. A little book has just been published which bears the imprimatur of George M. Pullman himself, and declares that the sleeping car was the carefully phrased as to provide against the publication some day of the connection with the scheme of Plymouth B. Greene. There is honest confession in the book, and no claim for Mr. Pullman that he and none other was the inventor, but that his was the brain to first conceive it is clearly intimated.

At just what time Mr. Pullman first began thinking on the subject of sleeping cars he himself would, perhaps, find it hard to tell. The problem had been raised by the completion of what were considered long lines of railroads. Mr. Pullman was at that time a young man. In a general way the sleeping car and its possibilities had floated through his mind, and he had casually discussed the matter with friends.

His first serious attention to it, however, dates from a certain night journey he made in 1857, when he was a student at the University of Michigan. He was a sixty-mile ride and he occupied a bunk in one of the so-called sleeping cars of that epoch. During the journey he lay awake, revolving in his mind the idea of a better car, which could be transformed into a dormitory, in which there would be a greater degree of comfort and elegance. While it cannot be said that his mind was then fixed on the construction of the occupation of his life dates from that particular night's ride, it is certain that he left the train at Westfield convinced that he could make a fortune out of the one he had just occupied, and dimly seeing, even then, the possibility of there being in that direction a field for his life work.

REAL INVENTOR OF THE SLEEPING CAR.

That is very pretty. It is the latest. If the writer had only gone to 342 West Adams street he would have discovered "at just what time Mr. Pullman began thinking of sleeping cars." It is a fact that in the many years Mrs. Greene, widow of the man who first set Mr. Pullman thinking of sleeping cars—a woman gentle and refined, who took an interest in the many millions of her sex who were suffering from the want of a better mode of travel, she has made no bitter complaints; she has nothing derogatory to say of Mr. Pullman; she does not rail at fate, she merely wonders at the strangeness of his decrees which commit the originator of an enterprise to a pauper's grave and showers riches on an associate who appropriated his plan in 1857, two years before Pullman's patent was obtained.

Plymouth B. Greene was born in Brandon, Vt., in 1829. Twenty years later he married in Lowell, Mass., and in 1853 came to Chicago. He opened a photograph gallery at 47 Lake street. He made a fair living, but was always discontented. He was a close reader of scientific books and was always promising himself that some day he would get rich on the invention of a better mode of travel.

Indisputable records show that Greene obtained his patent for his sleeping car in 1857, two years before Pullman's patent was obtained. Greene's patent was for a sleeping car, embodying in general outline the principles of the Pullman sleeping car.

GREENE'S IDEA PROVES SUCCESSFUL.

Greene was unable, through want of funds, to push his invention, and after he had made vain efforts for a trial on the Michigan Central and the Chicago, Burlington, and Quincy railroads he gave up in despair. His wife encouraged him, told him to keep on improving his invention and predicted that a day of success would come. At this stage a patent promoter who had been introduced to him by Mr. Pullman made advances to Mr. Greene.

Mr. Pullman, as Mr. Greene soon learned, had disclosed the inventor's plan to the promoter, and in utter disgust Greene sold a half interest in his scheme to Woodruff for \$500. The next thing that Greene learned was that George M. Pullman obtained a patent for an adjustable sleeping car berth almost identically on the lines of the one which Greene had regarded as his own.

Time passed and Greene's idea was tried and it was a success. Woodruff and Pullman quarreled. Pullman wanted all the fruits, all the gain. A lawsuit ensued and Pullman won.

Greene struggled along as a photographer. Pullman was soaring and Greene was down among the poor. As late as 1871 Pullman acknowledged in a significant way Greene's right to be considered the originator of his idea. His attorneys discovered what looked like a flaw in his title to the patent. Greene, poor, poetic Greene, with the artist's soul, was asked for his signature to a document presented by Mr. Pullman's attorneys. He told that his signature should be dispensed with, that his signing his name was a mere formality that was desirable but not necessary. Greene signed his name and he got \$125.

Pullman went on and prospered. Greene was burned out in the big fire. He opened business later at 85 State street, and earned just enough to keep the little cottage on West Adams street going. Poetic and proud, he was sensitive, too, and never asked Pullman for a consideration of his rights. He respected his wife was like him. They were not fashioned in the mold of beggars and they never begged.

Three years ago Greene grew ill. He no longer attended to business, and he closed his little gallery. The photographers' Union lent a little assistance, and Greene's only boy, who had been at school, was sent to work.

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